



**New Frontiers  
Announcement of Opportunity  
Phase A Kick-off Meeting**

***NASA Launch Services***

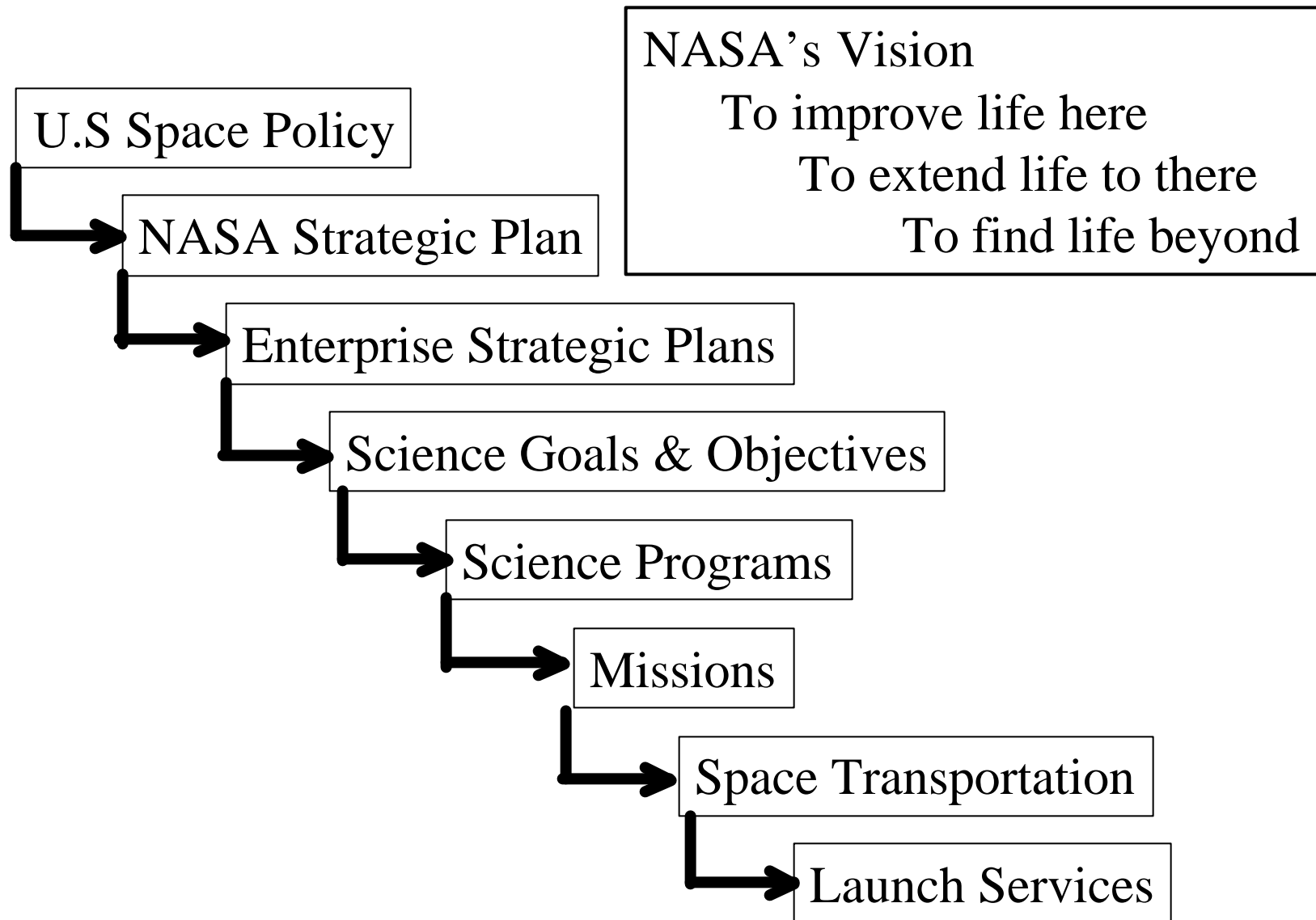
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# National Space Policy to NASA's Launch Services

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# Launch Services Organization

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- **The Office of Space Operations, Launch Services is Responsible for:**
  - Identify and Aggregate Agency Launch Requirements
  - Assure Access to Space on All Available Launch Systems
    - Shuttle
    - DOD
    - Commercial Launch Vehicles
    - Foreign Vehicles
  - Office of Space Operations is the front door to Agency/DOD/other civil Gov't payload customers
  - Lead HQ strategy for meeting launch requirements/managing priorities/conflicts
  - Chair Flight Planning Board and maintain Agency launch manifest
  - Program Direction for Launch Service Program
  - Identify/acquire new launch services
  - Agency technical lead for space transportation policy discussions
  - Provide Single Interface for Mission Directorate Payload Customer at Headquarters



## NASA ELV Policies

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- NASA utilization of expendable launch services is governed/driven by the following Agency-level NASA Policy Directives (NPD):
  - NPD 8610.7, Launch Services Risk Mitigation Policy for NASA-Owned Or NASA-Sponsored Payloads
  - NPD 8610.23A, Technical Oversight of Expendable Launch Vehicle (ELV) Launch Services
  - NPD 8610.24A, Expendable Launch Vehicle (ELV) Launch Services Pre-launch Readiness Reviews



# NASA Launch Mitigation Policy

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- **NPD 8610.7 – Launch Services Risk Mitigation Policy for NASA-owned or NASA-sponsored payloads**
- **Establishes the policy and criteria to assess mission risk based on vehicle maturity, demonstrated flight history, and NASA’s technical review of vehicle design**
- **NASA Payloads are reviewed by the Flight Planning Board and categorized based on the sponsoring Enterprise’s deemed value of the mission:**
  - Cat 1: Missions deemed non-mission critical to the sponsoring Enterprise’s strategic objectives – can be considered for flight on Launch vehicles with no flight history
  - Cat 2: Missions deemed mission critical to the sponsoring Enterprise’s strategic objectives and of moderate cost/complexity – can be considered for flight on NASA-acquired launch service on a vehicle with at least one demonstrated flight
  - Cat 3: Mission deemed mission critical with complex interface and higher cost – must be flown on vehicles with acceptable demonstrated flight history



# NASA Manifesting Process

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- **NASA's launch manifest requirements are established, prioritized and managed through the NASA Flight Planning Board**
  - **Chaired by Office of Space Operations, Launch Services Asst. Assoc. Administrator**
  - **Representatives from all NASA Mission Directorates**
  - **Manifest includes all NASA-sponsored space launches**
- **The Mission Directorate sponsoring for missions (AOs) are responsible for submitting launch requirement to the Flight Planning Board**
- **Launch Requirements are reviewed by the Flight Planning Board for:**
  - **Risk**
  - **Launch Date**
  - **Launch Vehicle (availability, launch history)**
  - **Launch Service Contract (existing or new)**
- **NASA Launch Services Program (hosted at KSC) is chartered to implement acquisition and management of requisite launch services for NASA-sponsored missions, from the private sector or other government agencies , as appropriate**



## **NASA Launch Services – Key Points**

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- **National Policy directs NASA to utilize commercially available domestic launch services, to the maximum extent possible**
  - **Exception to acquire foreign services, require White House coordination and approval**
- **Mission Specific Launch Services are procured and managed by NASA and provided as a full service to Spacecraft team – integrated process in-place**
- **Two ELV performance classes offered for this AO - Intermediate & Heavy**
- **Assignment to a specific launch vehicle is executed through an established procurement process after the launch requirements have been solidified and the Mission Directorate has committed Phase C/D funding to this mission and risk assessment reviewed and concurred in by the Flight Planning Board**
  - **AO Proposal Teams are required to maintain compatibility with both ELV families within the respective performance class**
- **Costs for vehicle classes are provided in the New Frontiers AO Library**
  - **No changes anticipated from pre-Phase A phase**



# Alternate Launch Services

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- **Foreign Launch Services**
  - **Contributed foreign launch services require interagency coordination and concurrence ( no funds exchanged)**
  - **Non Nuclear Payloads Only**
  - **Address export control & technology transfer issues**
  - **Launch vehicle availability**
  - **Consistent with NASA NPD 8610.7**
    - **Flight history**
    - **Technical risk mitigation**
    - **Costs - Technical insight & risk mitigation**
    - **Evaluated on case-by case basis**
- **Dual manifest or secondary payloads on domestic LV's will not be considered under this AO**
- **Space shuttle launch is not an option available under this AO**





# NASA Launch Services - Content

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- **NASA Launch Services include:**
  - **Launch Vehicle** – hardware, software, production, logistics, operations
  - **Standard Services** – engineering, pre-/post-flight analysis, mission integration, etc.
  - **Non-Standard services** – pre-priced options
  - **Payload Processing Facility** – Government-owned or Commercial
  - **Minor mission unique modifications** – custom requirements
    - **Major modifications** must be reviewed for feasibility and will likely be additional cost over-and-above the cost provided in the AO guidelines
  - **Launch service technical management**
  - **All NASA technical oversight** in accordance with NASA Policies
  - **Launch Vehicle Telemetry**
  - **Safety and mission assurance**
  - **Independent launch service assessment**
  - **Launch campaign and day-of-launch management**
- **Nuclear Missions require and include:**
  - **Launch Vehicle Databooks**
  - **Launch site accommodations** (e.g., logistics, security, etc.) for nuclear materials
  - **Material handling/logistics** by DOE
  - **Range Safety requirements**



# Launch Service Support and Evaluation for this AO

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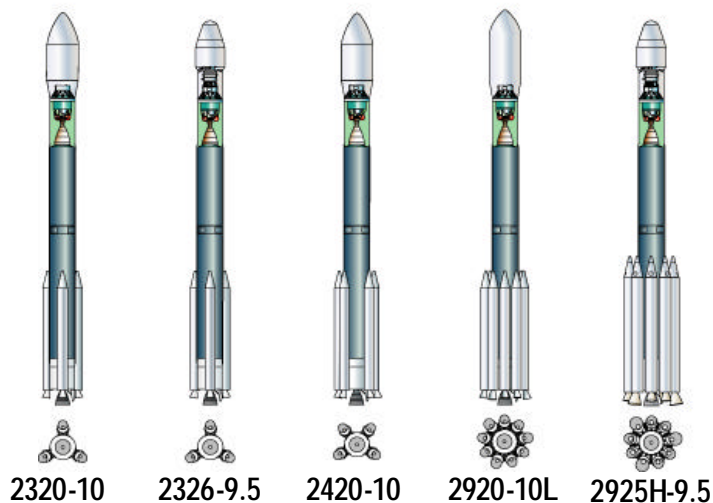
- **The NASA Launch Services Program will serve as the coordinator for all AO Proposers**
  - Assist in providing launch vehicle data and information as required by AO Teams
  - Assess feasibility of mission-unique requirements
  - **Note: Input based on communication outside of the NASA LSP ( eg with an individual launch provider) will not be considered/evaluated**
- **The information/discussions with LSP representative will be “firewalled” from the evaluation process**
- **A separate LSP representative(s) will be assigned to the evaluation process for launch services support which includes:**
  - Overall assessment
  - Performance (Margin)
  - LV to SC Interface
    - PLF
    - Mechanical Interface
    - Environments
    - Mission Unique Modifications
  - Cost



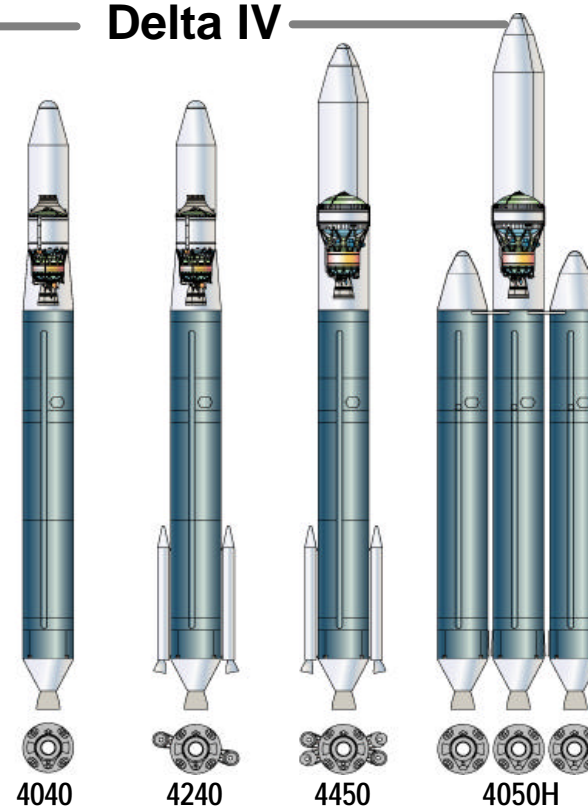
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## Delta II



## Delta IV

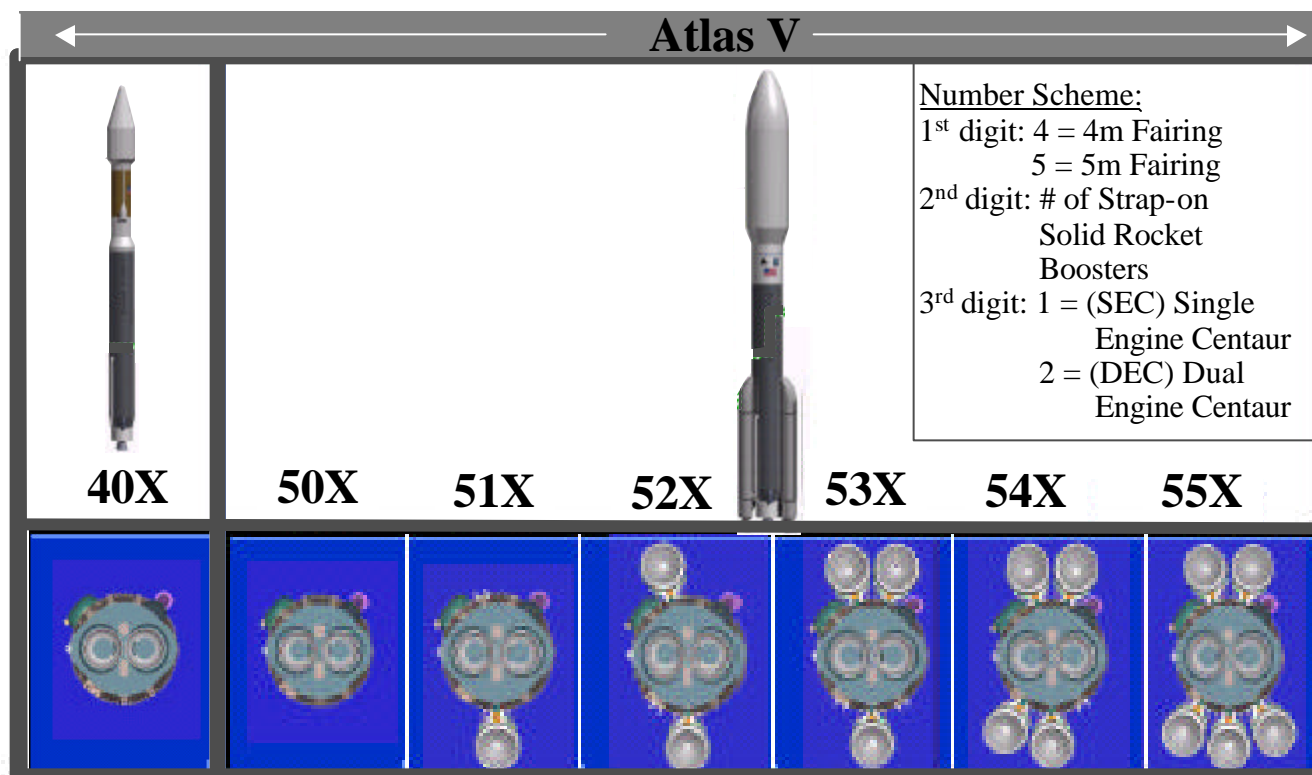


Launch Service		Delta II Medium/Medium Lite			Delta II	Delta II	Delta IV			Delta IV H
Generic LV Performance <sup>2</sup> (kg)										
LEO (500km, 28.5deg)		2,460	N/A	2,855	4,450	N/A	8,690	11,575	13,100	23,165
SSO (500km)		1,755	N/A	2,120	3,305	N/A	6,915	9,410	10,930	21,040
GTO (35,788km, 28.5deg)		N/A	925	N/A	N/A	2,170	3,985	5,630	6,345	12,650
High	$C_3 = 0 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$	N/A	600	N/A	N/A	1,525	2,735	4,075	4,580	9,305
Energy	$C_3 = 10 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$	N/A	490	N/A	N/A	1,235	2,115	3,275	3,685	7,810



# NASA Launch Services - LMCLS

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Launch Service		Atlas V					
Generic LV Performance <sup>2</sup> (kg):							
LEO (500km, 28.5deg)		9,445/11,500	9,540 (DEC)	9,880/11,490	12,180/13,735	14,045/15,840	15,715/17,450
SSO (500km)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
GTO (35,788km, 28.5deg)		4,765 (SEC)	3,880 (SEC)	5,175 (SEC)	6,180 (SEC)	7,105 (SEC)	8,570 (SEC)
High	$C_3 = 0 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$	3,445 (SEC)	2,680 (SEC)	3,765 (SEC)	4,545 (SEC)	5,210 (SEC)	6,330 (SEC)
Energy	$C_3 = 10 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$	2,840 (SEC)	2,150 (SEC)	3,100 (SEC)	3,765 (SEC)	4,345 (SEC)	5,300 (SEC)

# NASA LAUNCH SERVICES MANIFEST

APPROVED  
FLIGHT PLANNING  
BOARD 9/15/03

	CY '03	CY '04	CY '05	CY '06	CY '07	CY '08	CY '09	CY '10
<b>SECONDARY (S)</b> <b>DELTA (D/S)</b> <b>TAURUS (T/S)</b>		TBD SPACETECH 5 NET 12/04 DIS ProSEDS -NET 5/04						
<b>SMALL CLASS (SC)</b> <b>PEGASUS (P)</b> <b>TAURUS (SH)</b>	P SORCE - 1/25 GALEX - 4/28 SCISAT - 8/12	P DART - 10/18		P AIM - 9/06 T GLORY* - 12/06*	SC SPACETECH 8 - 6/07 T Orbiting Carbon Observatory - 8/07 P SMEX-10 - 8/07	T GEOSPACE ITM-8/08 SC SMEX-11 - 8/08		T GEOSPACE RBM-8/10 T GPMC - 4Q/10 SC SMEX-12 - 8/10
<b>MEDIUM CLASS (MC)</b> <b>DELTA 7325/7320 (D3)</b> <b>DELTA 7425/7426 (D4)</b> <b>DELTA 7920/7925 (D)</b> <b>DELTA 7920 H (DH)</b> <b>TITAN II (T-II) - VAFB</b>	D3 ICESAT/CHIPS 1/12 D MER A - 6/10 DH MER B - 7/7 DH SIRTf - 8/25 D GRS - NET 12/0	D AURA - NET 26 D4 SWIFT - NET 4/29 DH MESSENGER - 5/11 D3 NOAA-N - NET 9/15 D DEEP IMPACT - 12/30	D4 CLOUDSAT/CALIPSO NET 1/29* D3 NOAA-N* - 10/05 D STEREO - 11/15	DH DAWN - 5/06 D THEMIS (MIDEX-5) 8/06 DH NPP-BRIDGE - 10/06 D3 OCEAN SURFACE TOPOGRAPHY - 12/06	DH GLAST - 2/07 D3 STSS - 7/07 D OSS OPP - 8/07 DH PHOENIX - 8/9 (MARS SCOUT) D KEPLER - 10/07 D4(T*) WISE (MIDEX-6) 12/07	D3 AQUARIUS - 3/08	DH* MMS - 1/09 D* DISCOVERY 11 2/09 D* GEC - 9/30 D MARS TELECOM* 10/09 D4* MIDEX-7 - 12/09	D4* MIDEX-8 - 12/10
<b>INTERMEDIATE (IC) / HEAVY CLASS (HC)</b> <b>ATLAS (AIII&amp;AV)</b> <b>DELTA (DIII&amp;IV)</b> <b>DELTA IV HEAVY (IVH)</b>		DIV GOES-N - 12/1	DIV GOES-O - 12/05 AV MARS RECON ORBITER - 8/10	AV-H NEW HORIZONS 1/11 IC X-37* - 7/06	DIV GOES-P - 4/07	IC SDO - 4/08 IC NEW FRONTIERS 12/08 HC* OSP DEMO - 4Q/08	IC MARS SCIENCE LAB - 10/09* HC SIM - 12/09	HC* OSP* - 4Q/10

\* FOR NASA PLANNING PURPOSES  
\*\* FAILURE

= OSS  
 = OSF  
 = OES  
 = OAT  
 = OBPR  
 = DOD REIMBURSABLE  
 = VAFB LAUNCH